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SCHS Honors Burger at Annual Court Visit

On Monday, forty-seven students and four professors traveled to the United States Supreme Court. The trip was the second annual journey to the Supreme Court and was sponsored by the Marshall-Wythe Chapter of the Supreme Court Historical Society.

This trip, however, was different than the Chapter’s first trip last spring. This year, Chief Justice Warren E. Burger spoke to the Marshall-Wythe contingent for nearly 40 minutes. The Chief Justice answered questions on subjects ranging from judicial administration to legal education.

Most of the students at the Court thought Chief Justice Burger was relaxed and candid. Jeff Schreiber, President of the Marshall-Wythe Chapter, said that he felt the Chief Justice was interested in our law school and its continued growth as a top-ranked national school. Many times during the “off the record” question and answer session the Chief Justice referred to Professors William Legal History to Chief Justice was aware of our chapter’s.

Since this is the last episode, I have taken the liberty to begin with a comment on the Exeter experience. In a favorite book of mine, the author tells of an encounter with a Chinese (Editor’s note: Here, in the last installment of his Exeter diary, author C. Wayne Taylor reflects on his experiences, both mundane and royal, in Great Britain. The Amicus welcomes comments from the law school community to begin with a comment on the Exeter experience. In a favorite book of mine, the author tells of an encounter with a Chinese civilization.

We did a lot of talking and waiting. My feet got restless, so I went down the road and took a picture of an old stone building that had been used as a post office since the 18th century. I then walked on the summit of the building on the edge of civilization.

Travel has a great talent for hitting you right between the eyes with the realization that the world does not revolve around your plot of soil again. The guide explained to us how the gin is made and showed us samples of the ingredients used, but no samples of the final product.

At the same time it makes you realize the uniqueness of each continent, country, county, town, and even each person. And, it makes you feel so good to see genuine U.S.A.

I would encourage anyone to travel. Whether to Europe, Asia, or Alabama, go places you haven’t been. It gives you a much better perspective on the world around you and it provides a heck of a good subject for daydreams.

A potluck dinner for Mr. Brennan’s group included a picture of antique shops, food stands, and old book shops. I couldn’t resist rooting through one more shop of rare books. Then we happened to end up at the Stone Distillery. The aromas and the sign “free tour” drew us in. It’s a fascinating place. They still (no pun intended) use the same equipment the monks used hundreds of years ago. Big copper boilers and ancient testing equipment are scattered all around. The guide explained to us how the gin is made and showed us samples of the ingredients used, but no samples of the final product.

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Will the Real SBA Candidates Please... Tell Us Your Names?

Dorry Martin, left, and Christy May are candidates for Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, of the Student Bar Association.

For the sake of quelling growing dissension and animosity amongst the staff of this newspaper, quelling the outraged sensibilities of two noted female members of the first-year class, and, incidentally furthering accurate and responsible journalism, The Amicus is obligated to point out an error on page three of the issue of February 16 in the article presenting S.B.A. candidates’ platforms. Those in the law school who can read, and who read the last issue, may have been observant enough to notice that Christy May’s photograph was placed above Ms. Dorry Martin’s platform, while Ms. Martin’s likeness was identified as that of Ms. May’s. In other words, the photographs got mixed up.

Ms. Martin, who is currently running unopposed for the office of Antiquarian, informed me she had not been informed by the Editorial Board of her error. Her reaction: “Well, if I have to be Dorry, I just hope she’s wearing a new antique bush jacket.” Ms. Martin, who is also currently unopposed in seeking the position of S.B.A. treasurer, responded when told the worst, “I just hope her smile wasn’t too much like Farrah’s.” When apprised of Ms. May’s remark, Ms. Martin sweetly added, “Well, I just hope she’s wearing some clothes.”

Amicus Editor Brian Buckley, whose passion for detail is noted elsewhere, immediately launched an intensive investigation to determine who was responsible for the error. Mr. Buckley’s remarks on the situation were, “I have no idea where the mistake could have been made. It’s not even listed on the layout sheets that showed this was not the case.” Indeed, it must be confessed that the error was quickly traced to the hands of the Executive Editor and photographer technician Andrew Thurman. Mr. Thurman, in a rare moment (continued on page seven)
Incompetent Lawyers

At a time when the number of applicants to law schools is soaring, the Chief Justice of the United States has announced that, in his view, up to fifty percent of the trial lawyers in this country are not competent. This is a startling figure and, considering the nature of its source, a figure with which we ought to be concerned. Whether the figure is accurate, in fact, ought not to be our initial inquiry; the concern lies in the mere assertion of the figure by the Chief Justice. If the judges in this country believe that law schools are producing incompetent lawyers, that is a sufficient reason to examine the nature of the law school experience vis-a-vis its effect on competency in litigation.

As Chief Justice Burger has noted, law school is not the ideal means to promote good trial habits and techniques. A doctor, he said, learns his medical arts best in the hospital and a lawyer ought to learn his in the courtroom. His concern in this area is not so much for the legal community as for the clients whom the legal community ought to serve. What people need is high quality legal counsel coupled with a capacity to apply that counsel in court, he said. Because the requisite ability to practice in court is at best enhanced by law school, and because law school's major concern is justifiably not the competency of its graduates in trial work, law school deans and faculties across the country may properly duck when the Chief Justice's finger points in their direction.

Indeed, the Chief Justice's remarks have recently been delivered to the American Bar Association and it is there, we would seem, that the finger ought really to point. It is the Bar that establishes a great many of the rules and regulations regarding who may or may not work in the courtroom. It is the Bar that requires law students to pass an exam prior to admission. This exam, enervating, cumbersome and degrading, is not itself a measure to assure competency. He heartily recommends that a new exam be established to screen incompetent lawyers before they are allowed before federal courts.

Whether the American Bar Association realizes or agrees that it is responsible, and there is every indication that it disagrees, it ought to move in the direction and along the path initially illuminated by the Chief Justice. There ought to be stricter standards for legal practice and law students ought to be aware that neither graduation nor success on the Bar exam is the proper benchmark for a competent trial attorney.

No Consideration

Dear Editors,

Ask me no questions and I'll tell you nothing. I've been trained to this; Most Court Board members do not get paid. The problem is we've had to go through law school and after much research, the answer to the following twenty questions.

1) Why was there no tournament problem duplicated in the problems distributed this semester to those taking moot court?
2) Why were this semester's moot court tournaments informed that to share the contents of their team brief with the instructors for credit would constitute an honor violation?
3) Was the moot court tournament open to all students including those enrolled in moot court or New Christian School problems?
4) Did their attendance constitute the court's commitment an honor violation?
5) Would any person that taped the oral arguments on the moot court's tape commit an honor violation?
6) Would any person that is enrolled in moot court and took notes on questions raised and cases cited have committed an honor violation?
7) What is the purpose of the general rule in moot court that a team may listen to the oral arguments of any other team excepting those having the same problem?
8) Why did the faculty advisor neglect to read the problems prior to distribution?
9) Why was there no announcement concerning these problems prior to the tournament, despite the fact that the Dean and the faculty advisor were made aware of them?
10) As a result of the aforementioned problems, are those petitioners and respondents having the Smith problem going to be graded more stringently?
11) If so, what is to be the standard?
12) Will there be differing standards applied if you merely attended the tournament, took notes on the tape in the study, or tape the oral arguments?
13) Was there a concrete basis for the determination of the court's or judge's lack of instructions given this semester?
14) Are persons enrolled in moot court to be selectively penalized as a result of the defendant's problems and subsequent events?
15) Why haven't those persons responsible for the failure of this semester been available for questions on any sort of a regular basis?
16) What scheduling error resulted in spring break being cancelled to make up time allotted three weeks for brief writing thereby effectively precluding a fair set of vacaction without close access to a law library?
17) Can there be an equitability resolution to these problems?
18) Will this solve or something similar happen in the future as it has in the past?

Sincerely,

A second year student

A Frustrated Journalist Replies

To the Editors,

As a non-smoking, chronically dieting mother and first year law student, I take exception to your habitual lobbying for a rescission of the library prohibitions on smoking, eating and drinking. As you frequently point out, the library is crowded and uncomfortable enough. What makes you think the reintroduction of smoking, food and drink would improve the situation?

At home, as I attempt to study, I am constantly moving about the house, seeking the one spot free of the distractions of my smoking husband and psychologically troubled children. The library may not rate high as a sanctuary, but it's the only place I've got left.

On another front, I am disappointed to find you sharing with all the other newspapers I've ever known a lamentable proclivity toward self-righteous hypocrisy. In fact, my inability to participate in such hyperpocrisy was among the several factors that drove me from a career in journalism to the folly of law school. Is it really necessary to sacrifice a certain flaunting of the canons of honesty on the part of the Dean who is deliberately flouting copyright laws yourselves? I refer, of course, bootlegged New Yorker cartoons in your last issue.

So far, your finest moment has been the post-election party. Yours,

Wonder Woman

Editor's reply: 1) Learn something about the copyright laws before you accuse us of flouting them, please. 2) What else drove you to journalism?

A "Brief" Memo

Dear Editor,

In response to the demands of a modern society for the well-rounded law-yer, I set out to point out how a New Jersey colleague handled a particular case. The following is a brief "memo" the attorney left for his personal files. Students of your first year class may take heart from the memorandum—especially those straddled with a fantastic problem in their legal writing class. It is imperative that you not disclose the source of this information!

Respectfully submitted,

"MuffinMan"

In aid of Taylor

As counselor for John Taylor and his wife, I found after voluminous research that the case was more trouble than it was worth. The Long Island librarians, servicing the Brooklyn public, had committed an "overt demonstration of hostility" against Mr. Taylor, including the denial of access to a "general practitioner" for the services of Paralegal Aid, Inc. (I am not too familiar with Paralegal Aid, Inc., a family firm based in Atlantic City run by Myra L. Macall). The New York Times led me to believe that "Taylor, more than glad to fulfill his obligation, promptly drafted a check in payment for the services of Paralegal Aid, Inc."

Frustration of law school. Is it any wonder that a student, like Mr. Taylor, would improve the quality of the law school's legal research situation?

Sincerely,

Taylor

Just Hearsay

Libel Nite is brought to you again this year at Phi Beta Kappa Hall on Thursday, March 8, at 7 p.m. Be there.

Ride needed to Florida over spring break (preferably Tampa). Willing to share expenses, driving, etc. Call Doug MacPherson at 229-3643.

New hours have been announced for the Marshall-Wythe Library for spring term: Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. The library will be closed on Good Friday. To facilitate the return of all material due before Easter, the library will close at 4 p.m. and reopen at 5 p.m. The library will be closed on Good Friday. To facilitate the return of all material due before Easter, the library will close at 4 p.m. and reopen at 5 p.m. Normal hours will resume on March 12. Get it? Furthermore, we are informed that construction will resume during the break and those who find this intolerable need only go to Camm.

BRI will conduct a post-mortem of the Bar Exam on March 13. Professor Donaldson is currently making the arrangements.
We were involved in a somewhat unpleasant incident a little while back involving a particularly obnoxious W&M undergraduate and a law school basketball team upon which we perform. To our great relief, (for the undergraduate was twice as large as he was obnoxious), the incident was concluded to our great satisfaction and pleasure and our readers, the gist of the simian's remark was that law students are obnoxious and ill‐mannered panies who do little except study, and never associate with deserving undergraduates. We do not feel that this comment is accurate; and even if it was, there would be abundant good reason for not associating with the particular undergraduate involved. Yet we feel somewhat troubled by the intramural play because of the credence attached to it by so many undergraduates.

It cannot be denied that almost all law students study a great deal (even those who persistently claim not to). We cannot, however, deny that the characterless nature of the education and the fact that most law students developed at least some academic orientation in college. Nor can we accept the contention that law students are panies. Many of the things we like about our undergraduate days, and the law school teams dominate several men's intramural sports. (The women, though provided less opportunity, show equal skill.) Indeed, in this respect the remark seems little more than sour grapes.

However, we must admit that as a generalization, the characterization of ourself and our fellows as ill‐mannered and insular brings to our breast the painful price of possible truth. We could, with little doubt, cite countless examples of law students to whom the remark does not at all apply. However, there is no denying that the sentiment expressed is shared by many undergraduate organizations.

In our continual quest, we have visited many sororities, whose members waste little time in telling us that male law students are generally disliked by both our sorority's members; and we have, on occasion, been told that the sentiment is shared by many undergraduate organizations.

At the risk of seeming chauvinistic, we would like to observe that most law students are people of better than average ability and ability. However, we would like to suggest that this fact is neither an excuse or a justification for snottness.

We feel obliged to comment for a moment on anonymity, which is often a problem. Elsewhere in this issue are two submissions to this paper, one a well‐written (continued on page seven) The Secret of Success? Diversified Editorships

We recently received a letter from a concerned student questioning the number of editors on the Amicus staff. In order to clarify any lingering confusion on this score, we feel the need to publish the following list of editors, with a short reduction pictures that appears to be a majority of the students who are known to be involved in one or more activities.

Dear Board of Visitors, President Graves and Friends of William and Mary:
We, the undersigned students, feel that the intercollegiate football program at The College of William and Mary should be continued at its present standard of excellence. Although current opposition to the football program appears to be directed at the $6 mandatory athletic fee, we believe that the fee itself is not the source of the problem.

Rather, the problem lies with those individuals who would limit the wide‐ranging nature of the collegiate experience through the destruction of the football program.

A football team which plays games on a national scale can help the school. Such publicity not only tends to increase participation in college athletics and thereby the qualifications of students accepted and entering, but also helps alumni pride (and pledges) strong. Indeed, it is a fact that alumni giving is in direct proportion to the enthusiasm of the alumni toward the football team of its alma mater.

And it would be a rare Saturday indeed when 15,000 people would come to a school in the country when the college is in residence Millington Hall. Yet, 15,000 people do get to see our campus when they come to watch a home football game. And it is surely likely that many of the younger students will be so impressed with the school that they will someday apply for entrance into the College.

Moreover, our heritage recognizes the importance of the development of a fit body as well as a fit mind. In fact, those two
Who Is This Person And What Is He Doing At the Law School?

This person is Professor William F. Swindler, who recently received the John Marshall Award for Excellence in Legal History from the Supreme Court Building in Washington last Monday.

"Oz" Seeks Alumni Relations Post

(Editor's note: last week the Amicus had the rare opportunity to interview Lee Osborne, a candidate for the SBA's Director of Alumni Relations. Following is staff writer Alfie Omega's report.)

Alfie Omega (star reporter): Well, uh, tell us, Oz, uh, why do you want to be in the S.B.A.?

Oz: Alfie, I'll tell ya, I still don't know what the S.B.A. does. All I do know is that they got an office on the third floor of the building. It's not clear if the perpetrators were not also involved. I can get away with the French word "ordinateur" which means "personal computer". This is roughly equivalent to "focus group". It's a more or less state of existence than a crime nowadays but explains the dislike upon which television programs and inhabitants of 642 St. were regarded for all their laxity. For an egregious example of the vicissitudes levied upon such persons see the obscure Pierson v. Post, Ferae Naturae; as a man who eats himself as a bona fide mole eater and then fail either to break. And perhaps, in the near future, we can repay them in kind, as a group, by generally enhancing their reputations as M-W graduates as the reputation of Marshall-Wythe as an outstanding academic institution grows in the eyes of the legal profession. Alfie Omega: Well, uh, gee, Lee, are you thinking of going into politics?

Oz: Well, I'll tell ya, son. "I ain't no real trick to politics. It's a poker, you almost always end up playing for big stakes, and you're lucky. But there's two something worth wanting, and you got to have them. And right now, I ain't got nuttin' and I ain't rightly sure just what I wants."

The Giving and Selling of Blood

by T. Moorman

Those of you who have had blood transfusions, or those of you who have had surgery and might have needed a transfusion, or those of you who have never thought about it: did you ever wonder where blood for transfusions comes from? The answer is: other people, but the logistics of obtaining, processing, storing and distributing blood are complex and time-consuming. We have a lot about organ and tissue transplants, but the research that made all of this possible is laid low in the ABO typing system for blood transfusions. Blood was the first organ or tissue to be transplanted.

The concept of taking blood from one person and giving it to another was simple and easy to perform after anticoagulants were discovered. However, this was extremely dangerous until the ABO and minor typing systems were discovered. It is estimated that all of the blood used in the U.S. is processed by the American Red Cross and also by the American Association of Blood Banks. Emphasis is placed on volunteer donors, but blood because it is felt that blood from paid donors carries a higher risk of hepatitis (and other infections). There are a few independent blood banks which use either, and some blood banks use both. There are is no need to donate blood: it can be procured from the phlebotomy services. As a result, the government does not need to be involved in the processing. Blood from the state of New York is processed and sold clotting factors are separated and can be used to produce other products. The remaining plasma is collected by individuals who are low on serum proteins or albumin. As you can see, there are a number of factors that influence the need for donations of blood.

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All components are tested for syphilis, hepatitis, and rare antibodies, such as the ABO and minor groups, and Rh factor. The ABC and AABB have highly sophisticated reference laboratories where even the most difficult types and cross-matching are done as well as computerized records pinpointing the geographical (continued on page five).
Blood Sells, Cont’d.  
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location of necessary rare blood.  
A 48 hour service of location, cross-match, and delivery of even the rarest blood is possible after the alert has been given.

The single most recurring problem with blood processing is that it’s shelf life is short, and at present, is only 21 days.  

Blood mobiles are around you would donate.  
The technique will take approximately 30 minutes.  

A nurse will take your blood pressure, take your temperature, ask some pertinent medical questions and check your blood level.  
If you are accepted, a needle will be inserted into one of your arm veins and approximately 500cc of blood will be removed.  
The loss of blood will not hurt you as the average healthy adult has at least 600-800 cc more blood.

If you are rejected it will be because you have had hepatitis, you will not be able to donate, but you can help by recruiting donors.

AMICUS CURIAE QUOTE OF THE FORTNIGHT:  “What did you say when you said, ‘No, it’s far too short?’”  — Brian Buckley, Editor of the Amicus, responding to an undergraduate who dared to challenge Mr. Buckley’s integrity.

MW B-Ball Teams, Cont’d.  
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Brady Sullivan, Jeff Milam, David Robbins, Wes Hopkins, Kevin Pickard to score. Mike Soberick, meanwhile, has connected on more improbable shots than you could believe. Ken Geroe is in nominal charge of this crew.

Lougowest, on the other hand, is synonymous with teamwork. Fine individual talents such as Tom Tennoe, Mike Stuart, John Tilhun, Jay Basham, Mike Bauman, Manny Holmes, and Gary Marshall have blended together and have assumed the fashion of the world championship.

Both of these teams are considered potential champions by knowledgeable observers.

BALSA Schedule, Cont’d.  
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a meeting with Dean Spang on the employment policies of Marshall-Wythe, a report on sources of financial aid, a presentation by Law School Dean Spong, and the black woman and the law; and the development of a balanced seminar program.

“Double Jeopardy—To Be Black and Female” is the topic of a panel discussion prepared by BALSA for March 23, 1978, at 2 p.m. in the Sitting Bull Room, Student Union.

Also included will be exploring the peculiar position of black women as victims of both racism and sexism, dealing with the parallels between racism and sexism, and between the women’s civil rights movement and the black civil rights movement.

Atty. Susan Perry, graduate of Rutgers Law School and active in Rutgers Women’s Law Caucus, will moderate the panel. A question and answer period will follow.

Clothing and Accessories  
For All Occasions  
Menashta Square  
Mon-Sat, 9:30-9:30

There are six other teams completing their regular season this weekend. The independent teams will be no shot at the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. They have worked hard for their place and have established the spirit and success, but have invariably enjoyed it.

Most prominent of these is the Supreme Court “B,” a balanced and talented team, that only failed the play-offs by one game.

Competing with moderate success are Law School’s “A,” a short team with David Nit and Sonny, the Force, and Uncle John’s Band.

Supreme Court “A” did not win a game, but unlike many other hopeless teams, showed up for all of them.

There are 10 teams of students enrolled. Thus, $30 fee to support the}
SBA President Demands Student Vote In Library Planning

(Editor’s note: The following two letters were sent by SBA President Jim Romeo, Jr., Berkeley, England. Student influence, it seems, is not dead.)

William H. Spong, Esq.
Dean
Marshall-Wythe School of Law
College of William and Mary
Williamsburg, Virginia 23185

Dear Dean Spong:

This letter will serve to advise you of the causes of the students’ discontent with the allocation of the Reference Librarian’s new office in the reading room of the Marshall-Wythe Library. Since it is too late to stop this construction, I ask that you please take whatever steps you can to alleviate the problem of restricted study space. I suggest that you charge the Library Committee with developing a seating plan designed to rearrange our furniture in such a manner as to make the most effective use of the study areas that remain.

Our discontent is focused on two primary issues. First, we believe that the needs of the student body for access to the library outweigh by far the utility of moving the Reference Librarian’s office to the first floor. There is much substance to the ABA’s criticism of our library. The passage of funds in 1973-74 has removed the sword of discreditation that was hanging over our heads; however, the problem of space remains, and the new office can only make it worse.

Second, as SBA President, I am extremely disappointed that the administration would commit itself to taking such an action without consulting the elected representatives. A decision to construct additional office space within the library at the expense of student seating is clearly a matter of policy, and not one of routine administration. The plans should have been referred to the Library Committee in order to inform us of the development and to afford us the opportunity to express our opinions through our representative. Although the SBA should have been consulted directly, instead, we have been presented with a fait accompli, and have been deprived of any chance to make student input at a meaningful stage of the planning. We were entitled to expect that no such action would be taken without the concurrence of the Library Committee. The plans for the new office could have been examined, its effect on the students anticipated, and the alternative uses of the space (office or study area) could have been balanced by the Committee before a decision was made.

The administration, knowing the importance of the library space issue, could have made no mistake by notifying us and to consider our opinions. We were entitled to expect that no such action would be taken outside the law school’s committee structure. Our representatives on faculty committees such as the Library Committee will be rendered meaningless if the administration adopts the practice of bypassing them on important issues.

The renovations to the library have now begun and cannot be reversed. However, two issues remain to be settled. First, the administration should realize that, in the future, proper channels should be followed, and that student opinions should be sought out and considered before decisions which will affect the student body so drastically are made. Second, the new office has been eliminated, by our estimate, twelve to fifteen seats from the library at a time when they are most sorely needed, namely at the beginning of the first year Legal Writing assignments. Steps must be taken to provide for the maximum utilization of the remaining available seating in the library. The Student Bar Association will make all efforts possible to work with the faculty and administration in confronting this problem, if our participation is wanted.

Very truly yours,
James A. Angius
President

Anius Carus
March 2, 1978

Role of Judicial Council: Dubious

by Mark Dempsey

An issue for something completely different. As I was looking through the March issue of the Marshall-Wythe directory, I noticed a list of members of various student organizations, and I was struck by such a wave of much great talent, especially in the judicial council. It’s a really shame that these extremely talented people have very little to do. I mean, all they have to do is to run three elections in a year, occasionally construe the SBA constitution, and sit in a hearing when an honor code case arises. There has not been an honor code case in over two years.

Clearly, there is a need to keep the judicial council bustling, but this one could best be accomplished by enacting a new function onto the council; specifically, the council should become actively involved in ferreting out honor code violators. They could operate in the manner of the Spanish Inquisition. This would have several advantages; nobody could direct the Spanish Inquisition, for one thing. Also, by using the weapons of fear, surprise, ruthless efficiency, and a fanatical devotion to the Pope, it would not be long until the violator could get the respect due it.

Of course, we cannot call it the Spanish Inquisition, because that's been done before. Therefore, when the judicial council was in this new function, it should call itself a special grand jury; that's been used before, but has more honorable roots in American society.

One final implication of this increased role of the judiciary, which implication I haven’t thought out yet, could be to call itself the Federal Judicial Council, and in this capacity be a part of the governmental functions of both the SBA and even the administration. Even farther, just imagine, they might be able to direct the building of the Marshall-Wythe and other law schools in Virginia or in D.C. If a truly salutary effect this would have on the education of fortunate law students involved in such a program!!!

P.S. Recent information has come across my desk to the effect that there is voluntary movement in this direction. In that Professor Johnson is busied in Richmond, and Professor Rothwacks is busied in Washington. Good to see that this is a progressive law school.

Very truly yours,
James A. Jones
President

Poetry: An Artful Reflection on Futility

by Lee Osborne

This article is not cute, nor is it especially informative, but perhaps you will still read it. I have four law school is conducive to extreme emotional states which punctuate the interrelated effects of technology, the frustration, the challenge. I am not a poet by temperament; I write solely by inspiration. Poetry for me is a verbal release of things my life does not fully express, an articulate organ welling forth from an intensely charged state of mind, an ambiguous summation of the conflicting forces holding way over my insignificant existence. In some ways this makes me a prisoner of words, a fugitive from life.

This poem is my first effort at free verse. I have always preferred words that rhyme. It is personal, intentional, honest, and perhaps, relevant.

If Wishes Were

I wish that I were young again,
(Not yet burdened with a vision of purpose
Not yet resigned to what life isn't and won't be —)
A young boy, perhaps, curious, yet cautious,
Always testing, feeling for the edge,
Tending to wonder why and wander where,
To find out how, not knowing what.

I wish that I were young again —
A self emerging, from without, within,
Brashly bold in defiance of all timidity,
Which slope the strength and confidence —
A temerous assertion of a glorious self
Imagined, yet to be ...

Yet not to be within within
(For there the heart beats swiftly
And the blood rushes and the mind races on)
Marking the measures and changing the times.

I wish that I were young again
A soul alone, and often lonesome —
Averse of being someone else (Yet not quite sure how much, or whom)
Filled with the dreams and expectations,
Yearning, striving for sensations;
Reaching out for wishing love,
Testing tales of stars above and moonlight shining on romance —
The sacred rite; The pegan dance —
Caring deeply for a moment,
While waiting impatiently for the next.

I am, you know.
I was not then, and thought I’d never be.
And yet, as I grow old in fact,
I see myself more child than ever —
Curious, yet cautious too.
Acting out my inner visions within the limitations from without,
Which I am willing to accept, or can't refuse, or won't —
And even if I find myself alone,
And feeling lonesome.

To all U. Va. basketball fans: Would you like your team to continue its winning ways? To insure continuity, you all better make sure that I don't start betting on them, and to do so insure, I suggest you all send me $5.00 apiece, quickly. That should cover what I lost on the Wake Forest game. Send it to M.F.D., c/o The White House, 1105 Lafayette St., Williamsburg, Virginia. Make out checks to cash, please.

For The Best!

416 Prince George Street
229-6385

ATLA Presents:
The Second Annual Criminal Law Seminar

Topic: Va.'s New Capital Punishment Act

March 16, Moot Ct. Room
7:30 P.M.
The Grapes of Zinfandel

by W.S. Fields

The widely planted varietal grape in California is the Zinfandel, which can be found in every growing region of the state. The grape is unique to California and is used in the production of red wine and occasionally rose.

The origin of the Zinfandel grape is still unclear. It is speculated that the grape may have been brought back from Europe, along with a number of other cuttings, by Count Agoston Haraszthy in 1862, though this has never been substantiated. In any event, it is definitely a variety of Vitis vinifera, the premium European wine grape and while once believed to be related to the Austrian Zierfandler grape, current studies tend to relate it to Italian grape varieties from Fuglia and Tuscany.

The styles of Zinfandel made in California vary to such a degree that it is possible to select one to satisfy any taste preference. The label and color of wine makes from these grapes, and is used in the production of red wine and occasionally rose.

Most Zinfandels are best after they have aged a while, though they are capable of being consumed directly off the shelf. Some of the more popular brands include Paul Masson, Christian Brothers, and Almaden. Gallo also offers a Zinfandel which is quite good and relatively inexpensive.

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and imaginative indictment of this semester's Moot Court program, and the other a condemnation of the Editorial Board's stand on the library regulations which includes some telling points concerning the editors' honesty, hypocrisy, and attitudes.

The latter is the second letter the paper has received concerning the library regulations which supports the new rules and disagrees with the paper. Judging by this response, it is possible that most students, contrary to the editors' suspicions, support the new rules. If that is indeed the case, the Editorial Board would be obliged to alter its posture. Furthermore, as an editor myself, we are troubled by remarks concerning our honesty, hypocrisy, and attitude, particularly when they are as cogently presented and substantiated as in this case.

Regrettably, we would find ourselves frustrated in any attempt to solicit further response or investigate the specific allegations concerning Moot Court. Also, readers who agree or disagree with the positions taken are forced into the cumbersome position of having to carry on a bi-weekly fortnightly correspondence in the newspaper if they wish to comment. And all of this is because the authors of these pieces have chosen to remain anonymous.

Now the editors may perhaps legitimately be accused of hypocrisy and dishonesty, but they cannot be accused, as some can, of lack of courage or conviction. Those who are responsible for editorial opinions are identified in the Staff Box. Likewise, anyone who has the wit to study writing styles or the curiosity to ask an editor can find out who authors the paper's unsigned columns.

We would suggest that, not only as a matter of politeness, but as a matter of fairness to the editors and the readers, any opinions which are either possibly controversial or involve personalities that are worth publicly uttering, are worth standing behind.

Candidate Names, Cont'd

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of humility and hope, promptly offered his resignation to Mr. Buckley. Unfortunately for all concerned, Mr. Buckley did not accept Mr. Thurman's gesture. When asked to comment on his alleged incompetence, Mr. Thurman said, "You bore me, and they all look the same to me anyway." (This reporter assumes that Mr. Thurman's reference is to women.) This, in turn, prompted a gesture by Mr. Buckley which Mr. Thurman likewise found unacceptable. However, Mr. Thurman elaborated in a more serious vein: "I am very sorry this happened. first of all because I know both Christy and Derry and like them, so it is personally embarrassing. More to the point, they are both running for important offices in a significant organization so I am troubled at the thought that my error could cause confusion in the campaign."

Ms. Martin is running for treasurer and Ms. May for Secretary in the SBA election to be held on Thursday, March 2, 1978.
Hands Up! A group of first year students recently formed a traffic control club and intend to replace the football stadium traffic light with their more efficient system.

Titters and Totems: These law students find it amusing to intimidate local snowmen. The last laugh was on the students, however, when Old Man Winter dropped 2 inches of snow only three days before Spring Break.

Some law professors do more than walk.

As a result of student protests, the librarians have finally decided to allow students to smoke, eat and drink in the law library. Pictured here is Sue Welch, who, in addition to cataloging, for the library, has the combination to the smoking room.

This first-year law student dropped out of school for awhile following the posting of grades and the selection for law review. "Law school," she said, "is, inter alia, for the birds."